

AN ACT

relating to the requirements for the issuance of certain specialty license plates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 504.701(d), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(d) On or after September 1, 2004, the department may continue to issue license plates under:

(1) Section 504.615 for a particular institution of higher education or private college or university only if before that date:

(A) 800 [~~1,500~~] sets of license plates for the particular institution, college, or university have been issued or presold;

(B) \$8,000 [~~\$15,000~~] has been received by the department from the issuance of the license plates for that institution, college, or university; or

(C) \$8,000 [~~\$15,000~~] has been deposited with the department for the continued issuance of the license plates for that institution, college, or university; or

(2) Section 504.614 for a particular professional sports team only if before that date:

(A) 1,900 [~~3,500~~] sets of the license plates for that sports team have been issued or presold;

1 (B) \$8,000 [~~\$15,000~~] has been received by the  
2 department from the issuance of license plates for that sports  
3 team; or

4 (C) \$8,000 [~~\$15,000~~] has been deposited with the  
5 department for the continued issuance of license plates for that  
6 sports team.

7 SECTION 2. Sections 504.702(b) and (c), Transportation  
8 Code, are amended to read as follows:

9 (b) The department may manufacture the specialty license  
10 plates only if a request for manufacture of the license plates is  
11 filed with the department. The request must be:

12 (1) made on a form adopted by the department;

13 (2) filed before the fifth anniversary of the  
14 effective date of the law that authorizes the issuance of the  
15 specialty license plates; and

16 (3) accompanied by:

17 (A) a deposit of \$8,000 [~~\$15,000~~]; or

18 (B) applications for issuance of at least 1,900  
19 [~~3,500~~] sets of the license plates plus the fees for issuance of  
20 that number of sets.

21 (c) Money deposited with the department under Subsection  
22 (b)(3)(A) shall be returned to the person who made the deposit only  
23 if 1,900 [~~3,500~~] sets of the applicable license plates are issued or  
24 presold.

25 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
26 to a request for the manufacture of specialty license plates  
27 received by the department on or after the effective date of this

1 Act. The change in law does not affect a request for the  
2 manufacture of specialty license plates made before the effective  
3 date of this Act, and the former law is continued in effect for that  
4 purpose.

5 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2627 was passed by the House on April 27, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 133, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2627 was passed by the Senate on May 23, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor